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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$5,000,000.
Instalment received, 2,074,744.75.
New Shares, 1,563,931.68.

Reserve Fund, \$2,500,000.
Instalment of Shares, 1,563,931.68.
Dividend on New Shares, 94,063,361.66.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman, A. P. McEwen, Esq.
Deputy Chairman, Hon. R. D. SASSOON, Esq.
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HONGKONG.

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On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
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For 3 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, April 2, 1884. 583

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY OF THE FIRM OF MESSRS. W. B. SPRAATT & CO., and has resumed the Business of EOA DA SILVA & Co. in this Colony.
Temporary Office and Auction Rooms, at No. 19, Hollywood Road.

A. A. EOA DA SILVA,

Hongkong, June 20, 1884. 1045

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 24th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
SAMUEL J. GOWER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, June 20, 1884. 1022

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 18th inst. until the 2nd Proximo, both days inclusive.
HENRY R. H. MARTIN,
Manager.

Hongkong, June 14, 1884. 937

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that in Accordance with Resolution No. 2 passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held at the City Hall on the 30th December, 1882, ALL SHARES NOT TAKEN UP, and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th CALLS paid on or before the 30th June next, will be disposed of by the Directors in such manner as in their discretion, they shall think best in the interests of the Corporation.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 713

NOTICE.

PERSONS desirous of Exchanging Scaled ONE DOLLAR NOTES for CLEAN ONES may do so at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION from this date.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 30, 1884. 902

Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on SATURDAY, the 28th June.

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,'
JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,'
T. H. WHITEHEAD, Acting Manager.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,'
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the 'Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,'
J. ARRANGER, Agent.

Hongkong, June 26, 1884. 1063

TENDERS.

BRITISH STEAMER MARLBOROUGH.

TENDERS are INVITED for the SALVAGE of the above-named Vessel stranded on a Reef of Rocks near HAIKUN Head.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

For Particulars, apply to
GILMAN & Co.,
Lloyd's Agents.

Hongkong, June 26, 1884. 1060

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICE of the TAKASHIMA COLLIERY Agency, and THE TOKIO MARINE Insurance Co., is REMOVED to No. 53, Wyndham Street.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 26, 1884. 1062

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIRST Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on MONDAY, the 7th July next at 3 o'clock p.m., to receive the Report of the Directors, when a full attendance of Shareholders is requested.

WILLIAM LEGGIE,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, June 24, 1884. 1044

THIRD DRAWING.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in conformity with the Conditions under which the DEBENTURES of the above Company were issued, the following Numbers of Debentures to be Paid off in Hongkong on the 30th day of June, 1884, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day DRAWN at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, General Agents of the Company, in the presence of the Undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF DEBENTURES DRAWN, ARE:

7	131	309	428
8	136	316	444
10	148	321	446
20	153	326	448
25	156	328	449
32	171	330	452
33	174	333	455
41	177	335	460
44	182	348	465
46	191	350	470
48	200	352	477
50	212	354	480
53	215	364	494
61	217	374	497
62	233	375	500
70	246	376	500
71	247	377	501
72	253	382	503
73	260	383	508
79	264	385	510
81	271	386	514
82	272	389	515
86	276	394	519
94	277	396	524
95	289	402	538
103	294	407	563
113	295	410	564
115	296	412	584
125	297	416	589
123	303	427	596

For the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Witnessed by
WILLIAM WOTTON,
Notary Public,
35, QUEEN'S ROAD,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 13th June, 1884. 979

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DEBENTURES falling due on the 30th day of June, 1884, of the above Company will be Paid at the Office of the Undersigned on and after that date, shall think best in the interests of the Corporation.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 24, 1884. 713

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

THIS Company now grants passages by express to London via Marseilles, including Continental Railway fares, at the same rate as for the route by sea to London, viz., \$280.

The fare to Marseilles is now similar to that charged to Brindisi or Venice, viz., \$265.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 18, 1884. 455

For Sale.



LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg respectfully to state that their well-known MIXTURE of the CHOICEST NEW SEASON'S TEAS, 'THE CUMSHAW MIXTURE' is now being prepared in Fookchow; and they will be glad to receive Orders, either for use here, or as present to friends at home. They undertake to deliver this Tea to any address in the United Kingdom, free of any Charge whatever on the Home side, at \$7.50 per 5-Catty, and \$12 per 10-Catty Box.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, June 9, 1884. 957

NOTICE.

SAYLE & Co. beg to inform their Customers and the Public in general that in consequence of the Death of the SENIOR PARTNER, the BUSINESS carried on in Hongkong will be CLOSED

On or before the 31st day of August Next, AND THE WHOLE OF THE STOCK is now offered at a REDUCTION of 25 per Cent. on the Marked Prices.

Special terms will be made for parcels of Goods over \$100 in value purchased at one time.

All Sales from this date will be for Cash only. Customers are requested to make immediate Payment of Amounts due by them to the late Firm.

SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, June 9, 1884. 951

Intimations.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.
- 3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year.
- 4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account.
- 5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.
- 6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values.
- 8.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK BUSINESS, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.
- 12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 26, 1884. 715

WITH reference to the above, BUSINESS will be commenced on the 1st May, 1884.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 26, 1884. 715

Intimations.

NOTICE.

COMMENCING ON MONDAY, the 30th instant, and until further Notice, the Steamers HONAN and HANKOW will run NIGHT and DAY between Hongkong and Canton; and the POWAN and KIUNGCHOW will be temporarily WITHDRAWN from the Night Service.

T. ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Company, Limited.

Hongkong, June 24, 1884. 1048

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

COMMENCING ON MONDAY, the 30th instant, and until further Notice, the POWAN will run DAILY between Canton and Macao, leaving Canton at 8 a.m., and Macao at 6 p.m.

By Order,
T. ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, June 24, 1884. 1049

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

COMMENCING ON MONDAY, the 30th instant, the KIUNGCHOW will run as an EXTRA BOAT between Hongkong and Macao, leaving Hongkong at 7 a.m., and returning from Macao at 11 p.m.

By Order,
T. ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, June 25, 1884. 1056

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22, PRATY CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS, MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, COCK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 256

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Hongkong, May 24, 1884. 855

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 28th June, 1884, at 3 p.m.,—

1st Lot.—2 HOUSES No. 124, Hollywood Road, and No. 19, Square Street, being INLAND LOT No. 225. Yearly Crown Rent \$2 9s. 0d.

2nd Lot.—5 HOUSES Nos 136, 138 and 140, Hollywood Road, and Nos. 33 and 35, Square Street, being INLAND LOTS 266 and 266c. Yearly Crown Rent \$5 0s. 0d.

For Particulars and Conditions, apply to
J. M. GIBBES,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 16, 1884. 996

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 30th June, 1884, at 2 p.m., at No. 44, corner of Graham Street and Hollywood Road,—

THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

BLACK and GOLD MAROON VELVET COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE.

BLACK and GOLD CHINESE GLASSES, CHROMO-LITHOGRAPHS, BLACKWOOD CARVE MARBLE-TOP ROUND CENTRE TABLE, SIDE TABLES and TEA-TOYS, BOWRAY-MADE CHAIRS, ENGLISH-MADE WALNUT CANTERBURY, CARD TABLES, MARBLE-MATERIAL-FRICK TOY WARDEN, and ENGLISH-MADE MARBLE-TOP TABLE.

HALL & HOLTZ DINING ROOM FURNITURE, comprising:—

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DOUBLE BEDSTEAD, ENGLISH-MADE MAROON DOUBLE-WINGED WARDROBE with PLATE GLASS DOOR, CHEVAL GLASS, BLACK and GOLD BUREAU with GLASS and MARBLE TOP WARDEN, and ENGLISH-MADE MARBLE-TOP TABLE.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 25, 1884. 1057

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from the Mortgagee, to offer FOR SALE by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 30th day of June, 1884, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Premises,—

A VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

Situate at SHI-YING-POON, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on the QUEEN'S ROAD West and measuring thereon 324 feet, on the South side thereof on FIRST STREET West and measuring thereon 52½ feet, on the East side thereof on a close registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 447, and measuring thereon 105 feet, and on the West side thereof on a close registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 492, and measuring thereon 105 feet, which said PLOT or PARCEL of GROUND contains in the whole 5,512 square feet and is registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 493, upon which are standing 14 HOUSES, viz., Nos. 328, 330 and 334, QUEEN'S ROAD West, and 332 built over the entrance of SAU LUNG LANE, Nos. 95, 97, 99 and 101, FIRST STREET, Sai-ying-poon, and Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, SAU LUNG LANE. The Property will be Sold subject to the existing Lettings and Tenancies thereof, if any.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to
DENNIS & MOSSEOP,
Mortgagee's Solicitors;

or to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd day of June, 1884. 1035

Intimations.

HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports that he will RE-OPEN

THE HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS on the 1st March.

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Customers desirous of taking Meals, such as BREAKFASTS and DINNERS, can have ALL REQUISITE information by applying to
GEORGE STAINFIELD,
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Hongkong, February 26, 1884. 368

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Hongkong, January 31, 1884. 188

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

ON and after the 1st June next, the STORE of the Undersigned will be REMOVED to the Premises lately in the occupation of Messrs. E. A. DA SILVA & Co., No. 48, Queen's Road.

H. FOURNIER & Co.,
Shoekoppers & Wine Merchants.

Hongkong, May 1, 1884. 757

To Let.

TO LET.

N. O. 25th, PRATY CENTRAL. TERRACE. Nos. 7 and 8, SEYMOUR TERRACE. No. 7, GARROD ROAD (known as 'HAR PERVILLE').

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Hongkong, January 23, 1884. 143

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, January 15, 1883. 115

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Hongkong, May 28, 1884. 885

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Hongkong, June 21, 1884. 1028

Intimations.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
Provisions made under a Bill of Sale
dated the 15th day of April, 1884, made
between ABRAHAM ELIAZER ABRAHAM
of the one part and the Undersigned of the
other part, and the Undersigned of the
other part, I have This Day entered and
taken possession of the Premises known as
the "INTERNATIONAL PRINTING OFFICE," No.
3, Hollywood Road, Hongkong, and will
transact all BUSINESS from henceforth on
my own account and in my Name.
Hongkong, dated the 14th day of June,
1884.
997 J. S. JUDAH.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by the
Provisions made under Two Bills of
Sale dated respectively the 3rd day of
March, 1883, made respectively between
ABRAHAM ELIAZER ABRAHAM of the one
part, and ALEXANDER AMADOR EGA DA
SILVA of the other part, and the said
ABRAHAM ELIAZER ABRAHAM and SOLOMON
MEYERS of the other part, we the Under-
signed have This Day entered and taken
possession of the Premises known as the
"NOVELTY STORE," in Marine House, No.
17, Queen's Road, Hongkong, and will
transact all BUSINESS from henceforth on
our own account and in our Names.
Dated the 14th day of June, 1884.
A. A. EGA DA SILVA,
S. MEYERS
Per pro. N. S. MEYERS.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has This Day RE-
MOVED his FURNITURE STORE
to the Premises lately occupied by Mr.
DUNCAN, No. 6, Queen's Road Central.
A-TACK,
Furniture Dealer.
Hongkong, June 12, 1884. 972

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:
C. T. Hook, British steamer, Captain W.
Jarvis.—T. Howard & Co.
El CAPTAN, American ship, Capt. J. E.
Sewall.—Captain.
GRANT ADMIRAL, American ship, Capt.
James P. Howell.—Master.
HONAUWAR, British ship, Captain John
Lane.—Messageries Maritimes.
LEONORA, American ship, Captain J. F.
Peterson.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
MATILDA, American ship, Captain J. G.
Merryman.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MELOKA, British barque, Captain D. W.
Carter.—Order.
SCHILLER, German barque, Captain C.
Steinbocker.—Melchers & Co.
SKIR, British steamer, Capt. A. Scotland.
—Adams, Bell & Co.
STAR OF CHINA, British barque, Captain
Charles Smith.—Melchers & Co.
WILDWOOD, American barque, Captain
Olas A. Sawyer.—Melchers & Co.
WM. PHILLIPS, Amer. barquentine, Capt.
John H. Potter.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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JULES MUMM & Co.'s
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To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

THE NEW TWIN-SCREW STEAMER MIL-
TON will run between this and
MACAO EVERY DAY commencing TO-
MORROW, the 28th instant, leaving Hong-
kong at 7 a.m., and MACAO at 2 p.m.
The Steamer is fitted with First-Class
Passenger Accommodation.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
Messrs. MILLER & Co.,
Messrs. F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,
or CAPTAIN ON BOARD.
Hongkong, June 27, 1884. 1068

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship

Commandant, PASQUIN,

will be despatched for

SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 28th

instant, at 2 p.m.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, June 27, 1884. 1065

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship

Commandant, PASQUIN,

will be despatched for

YOKOHAMA TO-MORROW, the 28th

instant, at 2 p.m.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, June 27, 1884. 1066

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
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STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,

MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SOEZ,

MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK

SEA PORTS.

NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS

OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

ALSO

LONDON AND ANTWERP.

ON THURSDAY, the 10th July,

1884, at Noon, the Company's

S.S. *PELITO*, Commandant *du TREVIZ*,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave for the

above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for

London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the

principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until

noon of 9th July, 1884.

Cargo will be received on board until 4

p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on

the 9th July, 1884. (Parcels are not

to be sent on board; they must be left at

the Agency's Office.)

For further particulars, apply at the

Company's Office.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, June 27, 1884. 1071

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAMSHIP TRAQUADDY.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamships

Interway, from Antwerp, and *Expedite*,
from London, in connection with the above
Steamer, are hereby informed that their
Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treas-
ure, and Valuables, are being landed and
stored at their risk at the Company's Go-
down, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees before Noon To-day (Friday), re-
questing it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Fri-
day, the 4th July, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges at 1
cent. per package per diem.

All Claims must be entered in to me before
the 7th July or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

I. MARTIN,<

On the 23rd inst., an old hawker, named Shu Tak Wai, of 81 years of age, while passing near a place on the hill-side above the Tung Wah Hospital, where work was going on, quarrying stone, was struck on the head by a piece of stone falling down, and was taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment. Yesterday the old man died at the hospital, and an inquest was this afternoon opened upon the body of the deceased man by the Coroner's deputy, Mr. E. Mackean, and a jury. The medical evidence went to show that deceased died from a fracture of the skull, but as there was no evidence to show how the accident occurred, the enquiry was adjourned until next Tuesday at 2 p.m., at the Magistrate's.

The *Saigonensis* of the 22nd inst., publishes telegrams of congratulation on the arrangement of the new Cambodian treaty, addressed by the Mayor, the Municipal Council, and the Chamber of Commerce of Saigon to Governor Thomson. A proclamation, embodying the chief articles of the convention signed at Phnom-penh, has been issued to the people of Cambodia by the Governor of Cochinchina. A telegram received by the *Saigonensis* from Phnom-penh states that the Cambodians are delighted with the new treaty concluded with the King, and that the mandarins have visited the Governor, and have protested their devotion to France.

This morning, the three prisoners who were found guilty of having decoyed a Chinaman newly landed in the Colony from Honolulu to a house, and then robbed him of forty-four sovereigns were each sentenced by Acting Chief Justice Russell to three years' penal servitude; in addition to this, the second prisoner, who had acted as the decoy bird in the transaction, was sentenced to receive 20 strokes on the back with a rattan, privately, during the first six months of his imprisonment. His Lordship denounced them as ruffians, and read them a severe lesson generally on their wickedness. He said they had narrowly escaped getting off by their lawyer putting forward their plea that the money was lost in gambling; but he was very glad to think they had been convicted. He would take particular care to have their crime and the punishment published in the Chinese papers, so that others might be deterred from doing the same thing.

A COMMUNIQUE to the following effect appears in the Chinese newspapers of the Colony to-day:—

The Independent Church (the London Mission Church), having regard to the welfare of men's bodies, and the cure of their diseases as second in importance only to the rectifying of their hearts, and desiring, in accordance with the Love of Heaven for all life, to combine these two objects, takes this opportunity of respectfully making known to the public, that, in the Gospel-Halls at Tai-ping-shan and Sai-yung-pun, where they seek to save men's souls by preaching, they have also opened dispensaries for the gratuitous healing of the poor. The kind services of an English Physician, Dr. Young, and of Mr. Lai Fook-chi of Tungking have been secured. The former will attend at Tai-ping-shan Chapel, Station Street, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, from 6.30 to 8 a.m., and the latter, at Sai-yung-pun, First Street, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Patients are earnestly requested to come in good time as they will not be waited for after the hours named.

The following are the main particulars of the agreement between the Portuguese Government and the Eastern Extension A. & C. Telegraph Company for the laying of the cable between Hongkong and Macao. It is hoped that the work will be commenced shortly. The Company is to lay down a cable not only between Hongkong and Macao, but also from Macao to the island of Taipa, which lies opposite the Portuguese Colony. The latter cable is to be under the charge of the Government, but the Company is bound to make any repairs necessary, the expenses of which are to be borne by the Government. The time allowed for the completion of these cables is limited to six months from the date on which the agreement was signed. The Government will pay a subsidy of 2,500,000 reis annually for the term of ten years, during which time it will have free use of the cable for official despatches; at the close of the ten years' subsidy the Government will have to pay half rate for the telegrams, not including the transmission of two meteorological telegrams daily, which are to be sent free of charge. The Company will have the privilege of telegraphic communication between Hongkong and Macao for the term of forty years, and the Government cannot sanction in Macao any other telegraph lines, either land or submarine.

A REFUGEE boat in swimming was performed last evening in the harbour of Hongkong by Mr. Thomas Boyce, a foreman in the employ of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. Mr. Boyce took the water at the New Admiralty Dock works at Hingham at half past six o'clock in the evening with the intention of swimming across the harbour. The tide was running very strongly to the West at the time, but it was not until the swimmer got as far out as the *Mearns* hospital ship that he encountered his full force. From that point his course was consequently much affected by the current, but swim-

ming easily and well within himself, he succeeded in reaching the shore about the midway between the Harbour Master's office and the P. & O. Wharf, without taking any rest at all, even by floating on his back, during the whole distance. It was just a clock when the swimmer landed, he having been just one hour and a half in the water. On landing he appeared to be as fresh as when he started, although the distance covered appears to be, from the chart of the harbour, at least four miles. A gig manned by four of his friends accompanied Mr. Boyce and had hard work to keep up with him. As far as we can learn this is the longest distance that has been done by any swimmer in Hongkong without a break.

Mr. Boyce belongs to a family of good swimmers, and has distinguished himself in the useful art both at home and at sea, and holds several prizes and testimonials which he has gained by making a good use of his natatory qualifications at different times.

It is said, says the *Straits Times*, that the tin deposits of Selangor are attracting attention in Banca and Billiton, the famous tin fields of Netherlands India, and that a private expedition will soon proceed to Selangor to examine and report upon its tiniferous lands with a view to investment.

THE M. M. Co.'s steamer *Enryne*, for some years running on the Singapore and Batavia line, is to be sold at Singapore, and her place taken by the *Godavery*, a larger and better steamer, and till lately running on the Hongkong and Yokohama line.—*Straits Times*.

CAPTAIN J. R. T. Fullerton, now commanding the *Sapphire* of the China Squadron, will, it is stated, be selected to succeed Captain Frank Thomson in the command of the Royal yacht *Victoria* and *Albert*. The name of Captain Lord Charles Scott, C.B., is also mentioned in connection with the appointment.

THE *Bombay Gazette* of the 3rd June says that the difficulty about the choice of a Bishop for Macao has been solved by the appointment of Dr. Antonio Joaquim de Medeiros, Chacalator Bishop to the Archbishop of Goa. Dr. Medeiros was for some time in Portuguese Timor, and passed through Singapore on his way to Goa to be consecrated as Coadjutor.

LANDED property at Singapore is certainly looking up in value. The mercantile godowns of Messrs Martin Dyer & Co., fronting Collyer Quay and Commercial Square, which were sold at auction some five or six years ago for \$35,000, at that time considered a good price, were sold at auction on Wednesday afternoon by Messrs Powell & Co., and realized \$81,000, the purchaser being Mr. Tan Keng Siew. Thus another of the European godowns has passed into the hands of Chinese, who, with the aid of the monopolizing power of the real estate in the Settlement, at high prices are willing to pay in order to find profitable investment for their money being a great inducement to the Europeans to part with their lands and houses. There are, in fact, only a very few godowns now in the hands of the original European owners.—*Straits Times*.

THE new industry, says the *Straits Times*, which we lately referred to, viz., the establishing of a grazing farm by an Australian gentleman, has reached a definite stage. A piece of land has been selected for grazing purposes about four and a half miles from town off the Thompson road, and in the letter in reply to the application it is stated that the Government will give every encouragement to the object, and the speculator has in view. The intention of this gentleman is to get sheep from Cossack, the nearest available point in Australia to Singapore and about eight days steaming from here, and having grazed them on this land to kill them for the market. Both sheep and cattle are to be 'run' and killed there, and it is to be hoped the affair will be of great profit to the leading spirit in the enterprise and of advantage to the public.

THE *Sydney Mail* has the following details respecting the position of the O. B. C. in Australia at the time of its suspension:—

'In this colony the bank will be liable on its note circulation to the extent of £40,000 to £45,000; in Victoria the amount will probably be about £56,000. The bank was further liable to other banks and branches in this colony to the extent of about £114,000, the bulk of this, however, being a liability to the branches of the bank in Victoria. The liability under this head was only £19,388. The deposits in this colony amounted to £128,000 not bearing interest, and to £46,000 bearing interest—a total of £174,000. In Victoria the figures were amount not bearing interest, £298,928, and bearing interest, £78,448, making a total of £377,376 to depositors, or in the two colonies £1,379,000. And the *Mail* records the following instance of enterprise in Sydney tradespeople:—Messrs R. and A. Kurts, tailors, whose premises were central situated in George Street, on Saturday announced their willingness to purchase notes of the Oriental Bank. Before closing at night they obtained notes representing £203 at 17s. 6d. per £1. On Monday forenoon they bought £600 at 15s. per £1, in the afternoon £500 notes at 12s. 6d., and received £300 in Oriental notes in payment for clothing, no discount being deducted in the transaction last mentioned. The business of the two days led to the receipt of paper representing £1,400. The price on Tuesday was 15s. per £1 note.

ONE of the most remarkable suits on record is about to be heard before the Supreme Court of North Carolina. It grows out of a mortgage on his own person made by a white man named John Hando, of Pitt County, securing Jim Taker, a cotton planter, for a debt due him. This deed reads:—

'I, John Hando, of the County of Pitt, in the State of North Carolina, am indebted to Jim Taker, of the State and County aforesaid, in the sum of \$25, for which he holds my note, to be due on the 11th day of January, 1884, and to secure the payment of the same I do hereby agree to him these articles of personal property to wit: myself, to work with him long enough to pay this debt, but on this special trust that if I fail to pay said debt right away, then he, said Taker, or his assigns, may sell me at the Court House door for credit or cash, as he thinks best, after giving twenty days' public notice at three public places, and apply the proceeds of such sale to the discharge of such debt, and interest on the same and costs and expenses of making

such sale, and pay the surplus, if any, to me.

'Given under my hand and seal this, the 14th day of January, 1884.

Hando failed to pay the amount due, and Taker was obliged, under the terms of the deed, to sell him as public auction. Some time before the expiration of the twenty days' grace allowed the mortgaged debtor the note got out, and the Court House green was crowded with people expecting to witness the novel sale of a white man. An injunction was granted by the Superior Court, and no sale took place. The Supreme Court will hear the case.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before the Hon. J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice.)

Friday, June 27.

JAYME RANZEL v. ABRAHAM.—\$850.

This morning, His Lordship noticed this case and asked if the parties had come to any settlement on the promissory note. Mr. Caldwell said he had made an attempt to get a settlement, but had not succeeded.

His Lordship then delivered judgment. He said the plaintiff in this case, as a broker, purchased 25 shares of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company, Limited, from the defendant, on the 16th April last, at \$324 premium, deliverable at the end of the month. The defendant sold to Mr. Victor, through the plaintiff, 50 shares in the same Company at \$32 premium to be delivered at the end of the month. Defendant failed to make delivery, and plaintiff now sued for the difference between the premium paid to Mr. Victor and the premium on the delivery date. His Lordship said it was very clear that the right of action was not transferable as the law stands in the Colony. Until the passing of the Judicature Act 1873, the right of action was not transferable even in England, and that act had never been introduced here. Under the Judicature Act, right of action was transferable under certain conditions which did not apply in the present case. His Lordship read the substance of the Act referred to, and then said that an action was not transferable under that act without notice of the assignment having been given to the opposite side. So far, therefore, as the 50 shares were concerned, the contention put forward for the defence was good. Plaintiff was not entitled, had no right, to bring an action for Mr. Victor, who, however, was certainly entitled to recover. As to the other shares, it was somewhat different, because in that transaction the case had not been referred to the court. It might be that Mr. Victor's name was mentioned, still as a matter of fact Mr. Ranzel was in the position of an agent having an undisclosed principal; he bought the shares, and it was only him who came direct into the court. His Lordship thought, therefore, plaintiff was entitled to recover on his petition so far as the 25 shares were concerned. His Lordship would dismiss him on a portion of his claim, and enter judgment in his favour for the other portion. He thought it was a pity that the case had not been referred to the court, because Mr. Ranzel was clearly liable to Mr. Victor, and the other parties for the money. The question as to the legality or illegality of share time bargains arose in the case. He had looked into the law on the subject, and he thought he should have no-suited the plaintiff on the ground of the illegality of time bargains, but 8 and 9 Victoria did not apply here. Under the agreement defendant was liable at common law, but he was not liable under the law of the colony, and he was liable up to the passing of 8 and 9 Victoria, section 18. His Lordship read the section. His Lordship was satisfied that it was not in the contemplation of the parties to do otherwise than pay the difference between the price paid for the shares and the price at which they were sold. His Lordship then referred to the case of *Thackeray v. Oarde*, in which he said one of the judges had traced the history of the law with regard to time bargains and in which it had been decided, after full discussion, that the law was against the plaintiff, and that at which they were sold. His Lordship then referred to the case of *Thackeray v. Oarde*, in which he said one of the judges had traced the history of the law with regard to time bargains and in which it had been decided, after full discussion, that the law was against the plaintiff, and that at which they were sold.

Mr. Caldwell said he had no objection to the 50 shares. He acted there as a broker.

His Lordship:—I hold he is entitled to brokerage in that case, but not in the other. To save further trouble, I may say I am quite satisfied that unless there is some equity which does not appear against Mr. Victor, he is sure to recover.

In reply to Mr. Caldwell, His Lordship said he would leave each party to pay his own costs.

BUNDA V. CHOW KEE.—\$12.

In this case, the plaintiff, Buntan Buntan, a Chinese, brought an action against the defendant, the washerman, Mr. Buntan, and the claim was for articles which defendant had lost.

Lance Corp. Duvig, of B. Company, said he was appointed on the 1st of April to check the articles given by his company to the defendant, and he did not see them until the 20th, when defendant brought back the proper complement but some of the clothing belonging to other companies. Witness showed defendant this, and defendant took away the clothing, and did not see them until the 30th of April, the clothing was short 8 regimental shirts, 21 pairs of socks, 6 collar belts, 8 handkerchiefs and 3 regimental towels. Witness had applied for the clothes several times, and defendant had said if he found them he would return them. Witness produced a list of the missing clothes.

Defendant's statement was that he sent the proper quantity of clothing, 300 pieces, on the 25th April, with the exception of 5 pairs of trousers which the witness had refused to accept because they were torn. The clothing mentioned in the bill was never given to him.

The coronal having examined the trousers produced by defendant, stated that they belonged to other companies.

His Lordship said he must give judgment against defendant. If the latter undertook work of this kind, it was his business to do it properly. It was not his to keep the clothes until he was paid. The coronal, whose duty it was to look after the clothes, was not to be mistaken. The last landed in was very carefully done, and his Lordship had no doubt that it was absolutely correct.

F. W. MOORE v. JAMES HARGREAVE.

In this case the plaintiff, on behalf of Mr. Moore, of Messrs. James Hargreave & Co., claimed two days' rent and taxes of house No. 304 Queen's Road Central. Since the case was laid before the Court, the accounts between the defendant and Messrs. Hargreave's correspondents, with whom defendant really dealt, have been examined by Charles Hing Hong, translator of the Supreme Court.

This morning, His Lordship, addressing plaintiff, said:—I thought there was something underneath this. Your correspondents have been collecting from this man according

to the Chinese moon, and giving him credit according to the English month. The consequence is that he has taken two months' rent more from defendant than he ought to have done, and you ought to make him give up this amount.

His Lordship then read the report which was in accordance with his statement.

In reply to His Lordship, Mr. Koch said the contract with Chinese in letting houses was made through the correspondents, who paid the firm every quarter according to the English month. Their books would not show how defendant paid his rent, or what amount he had paid, as the collection for 20 houses were put down in a lump sum every quarter. Mr. Sisto was not the owner himself, he was only agent for a gentleman at home. Mr. Koch said for a twelve months' past, it had been arranged between the correspondents and the firm to collect the rents according to the English month, and he could tell how many payments had been made by the correspondents during that time.

His Lordship said he could not decide the case until he knew really how defendant had been paying his rent, whether according to the English month, or Chinese month. He therefore adjourned the case to give plaintiff an opportunity of enquiring into the matter. He thought there had been squeezing on the part of the correspondents, who had made defendant pay \$208 more than he should have done.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Hon. J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice.)

Friday, June 27.

CHOW HING NAM.—FINAL EXAMINATION.

This bankruptcy was allowed to pass his case, which the sheriff had ordered to come up to obtain his discharge in fourteen days from now. The Official Assignee (Mr. Sangeet) and the other creditors offered no objection.

Mr. Dennis appeared for the bankrupt.

THE STRANDING OF THE 'ASCALON.'

The following is the Narrative and Finding of the Marine Court of Enquiry regarding the stranding of the S. S. *Ascalon*:—

Narrative.—From the evidence it appears that the British S. S. *Ascalon* left Hongkong on the 17th May, at 5 p.m., bound for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta, with a general cargo and 635 Chinese passengers besides her crew. All went well until the morning of the 24th at 1.40 a.m., when the vessel struck heavily on the Stock Reef, off Roman Point, doing considerable damage to herself, estimated at \$30,000. The vessel was got off on the 27th, and after some temporary repairs, steamed in to Singapore, and was taken into dock.

It also appears, the Master sighted the Hornburgh Lighthouse at 11 p.m. on the 23rd, when the light bore W. by S. 4 S. The night was fine and clear, and the light was in view from that hour until the vessel struck. (The course was altered soon after 11 o'clock, and the vessel headed direct for the light, but the Master, noticing a set to the Southward, again altered the course to W. 3 S. so as to bring the light right ahead, and kept on that course until 12.20 a.m., calculating to pass the Light house half a mile off. The same course was kept until eventually the vessel struck.)

The Second Mate had charge of the deck from midnight until the vessel got aground. He was on the deck on watch at 1.40 a.m., but had evidently gone sound asleep in a chair and awoke himself on the plea of being tired out 'with 2 or 3 nights' watching and not having felt well. His fault, however, to remember having been called and spoken to by the officer on watch at 1.40 a.m., who, on the contrary, affirms that the Master replied 'yes' to his question as to whether he was to keep the vessel on the same course, and being plainly in the sight on the starboard bow and the Hornburgh light right ahead.

The Captain, having heard and carefully considered all the evidence, is unanimously of the opinion that the stranding of the S. S. *Ascalon* is due, in the first place, to the neglect of duty of the Master, John Peters, in having gone to sleep when on watch, and in not having known and defined danger, and without having previously given some special orders to the officer of the watch.

Doubtless the officer of the watch, James Dumbly Whitman, who holds a Board of Trade certificate of competency, No. 03,044, is a highly capable man having acquired his skill and experience in the service of the British flag, and who, on the contrary, affirms that the Master replied 'yes' to his question as to whether he was to keep the vessel on the same course, and being plainly in the sight on the starboard bow and the Hornburgh light right ahead.

The Court is further of opinion that too little care was exercised in navigating a vessel carrying upwards of 700 souls on board, but in consideration of the successful efforts made by the Master and officers to save the lives of the passengers and crew, which they did without loss of life, and the Master's Certificate to be suspended for 3 months, and that he pay the costs of this enquiry, viz. \$32, and that the Second Mate's certificates be also suspended for the period of 2 months.

The Certificate of the other officers are herewith returned.

R. S. O'CONNOR, Senior Magistrate, President.

C. K. HOPE, Lt. Commr. of M. S. S. 'Zeus'.

ROBERT HADDLE, Acting Deputy Master Attorneys.

The Straits.

The European police contingent at Singapore has been augmented by the arrival of 40 men recruited in England, 23 of whom arrived by the S. S. *Rapporteur*, and 17 by the S. S. *Deucalion*. They are a fine stalwart body of young men, and should be a valuable acquisition to the force that is every day proving its usefulness.

From the *Penny Times* of the 11th June, we take the following:—Batavia Journal of 30th ultimo, to hand to-day report the total disappearance of the two islands Steers and Calmeyer, formed by the great eruption of Krakatau, which, on the 26th, a steaming vessel has been despatched to the Straits of Sunda. The volcano Merapi in Java had been active a whole week, and in a great portion of the Netherlands Indian archipelago there is increased volcanic activity, which is causing much alarm.

31 *Consular Financier* of 7th May gives the full text of the articles by which the Marques de Campo concedes the service of the line of steamers he established between Spain and the Philippines to the Transatlantico Company, formed at Barcelona. The decree of the Minister of Marine ratifying the concession is also published. The four leading steamers of the Marques de Campo's line are the *Ida de Luzon*, 8,300 tons, *Ida de Mindanao*, 8,100 tons, *Ida de Penang*, 7,700 tons, *Ida de Cebu*, 7,700 tons,

and the magnificent steamer *Giron*. The latter left Barcelona for Manila on 15th May and may be expected to call in here shortly.

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Travancal* arrived here early this morning, bringing London mails up to May 23rd.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REVISED ATTACK ON SUEZ.

Cairo, June 8.—The rebels renewed their attack on Suez with great vigour, but were eventually defeated.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN ENGLAND.

London, June 4.—A railway accident, in which five persons were killed and thirty injured, has occurred near Salisbury, the cause being the train leaving the rails and being precipitated into the river Avon.

DEATH OF LORD C. HAMILTON.

London, June 4.—Obituary.—Lord Claud Hamilton.

REPORTED FALL OF KHARTOUM.

Cairo, June 4.—A telegram has been received from Captain Kitchener stating that reports are current that the Mahdi is close to Khartoum and that the fall of the town is expected.

MARINES FOR SUAKIM.

Port Said, June 6.—250 marines have embarked for Suakin.

MILITARY PREPARATIONS SUSPENDED.

Cairo, June 6.—The military preparations here for an autumn campaign have been suspended.

ADMIRAL NEWELL'S MISSION.

Cairo, June 6.—Admiral Newell was well received by King John of Abyssinia and is returning to Massawa.

PARLIAMENT SITTING AGAIN.

London, June 6.—The House of Commons resumed its sittings yesterday after the Whitehall recess.

REPORTED ESCAPE OF GENERAL GORDON.

Cairo, June 6.—A rumour is current here that General Gordon has escaped up the Nile on a steamer from Khartoum, and that remnants of his army are being ordered to prepare to attack Suakin.

THE EGYPTIAN CONFERENCE.

London, June 8.—It is reported that Lord Granville and M. Waddington have come to an agreement respecting the Egyptian Conference.

MORE TROOPS ORDERED TO SUAKIM.

Cairo, June 7.—The remainder of the marines at Port Said and another Egyptian detachment were ordered to Suakin.

FALL OF BERBER.

Cairo, June 8.—Berber has fallen and is occupied by the rebels. A portion of the garrison went over to the enemy, and the remainder were killed.

THE EGYPTIAN CONFERENCE—A MULTIPLE CONTROL.

London, June 8.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* publishes the statement of the Secretary of the Egyptian Conference. England lends Egypt eight millions sterling and consents to a multiple control. The British occupation will terminate before the end of the year 1887. The Sultan of Egypt undertakes to occupy the ports in the Red Sea and to send 20,000 Turkish troops to pacify the Sudan.

THE CAPTIVE CREW OF THE 'MISRO.'

London, June 11.—Lord Granville has made strong representations insisting upon the Dutch Government accepting England's offer of mediation between Holland and the Acheenese with a view to secure the liberation of the captive crew of the *Misro*.

THE TURKISH TROOPS NOT TO BE EMPLOYED IN THE PACIFICATION OF THE SUDAN.

London, June 11.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Gladstone denied that Turkish troops will be employed in the pacification of the Sudan.

THE DYNAMITERS—DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS.

London, June 11.—Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, in replying to a question, said the Government would make representations at Washington concerning the dynamiters.

THE FALL OF BERBER—THE GOVERNOR AND THE GARRISON MASSACRED.

London, June 11.—A further report of the fall of Berber states that the Governor and the garrison and all Europeans were massacred by the rebels.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

New York, June 11.—Mr. Tilden has refused the candidacy for the United States Presidency.

THE PORTS AND THE EGYPTIAN CONFERENCE.

London, June 12.—The Porte abstains from taking part in the Conference unless the whole Egyptian question is submitted to its consideration or a previous understanding arrived at with England.

(London and China Express, May 23rd.)

Latest Mail Advice.—Yokohama April 10, Shanghai April 15, Foochow April 6, Hongkong April 15. The P. & O. mail, *de Brindisi*, with the advice dated above, from China and the Straits Settlements, was delivered in London on the 20th inst., one day early. The advice from Japan was received at San Francisco on the 17th inst. The *Messageries Maritimes* steamer *Natal* with the next mail, from Shanghai 17th, Hongkong 22nd, Singapore 29th April, reached Naples on the 22nd inst. (yesterday), and the *de Brindisi* is in London on the 26th inst., its due date.

Li Fong-pang was present at the weekly Diplomatic reception at the French Foreign Office on the 21st inst. The successor to the Marquis Tseng as Minister, Sin Tsing-tsun, may be expected in Paris about the 1st of July, and will, when Li will probably remain.

It has been reported in several quarters that Li Fong-pang, the ad interim Chinese Minister to France, will return to China, to occupy a high official post, and will be replaced by a Plenipotentiary who will be accredited to England, Austria, France, and Germany, and will reside in the capital of the latter country. We cannot learn any confirmation of this, however.

In the House of Commons on May 10th, Mr. Green asked the Secretary of State for War whether, in view of the recent successful ballooning operations in Tong-King, and the circumstances that the French Government were largely extending their ballooning staff, it was the intention of Her Majesty's Government to undertake the formation of a balloon corps without further delay. The Marquis of Hartington: That subject has been for some time and still is under the consideration of the Engineers' Department of the Army, both with reference to the preparation of a material to be used in ballooning operations, and also with reference to the training of officers and men. It is not, however, considered desirable at the present stage of the inquiry to enter into any detailed explanation on the subject.

Sir William MacGonagall performed a surgical operation on General Baker last week. General Baker was wounded at the Battle of El Tel, being struck by one of the balls from a shrapnell shell exploding about 50 yards in front of him. It struck him on the right cheek immediately below the

eye, and buried itself in the upper jaw. Next day Surgeon Logan extracted the ball, not without some difficulty. It was of iron, and three quinces in weight.

It is stated at Berlin that Captain Zornbach, German Minister at Athens, at Peking, who has lately represented Germany there in the absence of Herr von Brandt, will now proceed to Korea in the capacity of Consul-General.

The Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappij has advertised for a loan of 1,700,000 guilders for the construction of a railway from Batavia to Belanis, for which the company has obtained a concession. The length of the railway will be 26 kilometers, and the completion must be carried out within three years.

Replying to a denunciation of South African merchants urging the retention of Angola, Portugal, Lord Derby said the German Government had not expressed any intention of taking possession of the place. They had merely asked the English Government whether they claimed it, and would afford protection to German traders. The Cape Government had been requested to say whether they were prepared to bear the burden of the annexation of the territory.

THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

In the Chancery Division, on May 16, Mr. Ince, Q.C., and Mr. Seward Brice, on behalf of the Japanese Government, made an application to the Court that a sum of \$8,200,000, admittedly deposited by the Japanese Government, should be paid forthwith into the London Joint Stock Bank, as agents for the Japanese Government, for the purpose of paying cash of the drawn bonds of the Japanese Government. The Japanese Government was to be paid by the Japanese Government, as agents for the Japanese Government, for the purpose of paying cash of the drawn bonds of the Japanese Government. The Japanese Government was to be paid by the Japanese Government, as agents for the Japanese Government, for the purpose of paying cash of the drawn bonds of the Japanese Government.

The Court, without which he could not get the money. The learned counsel stated that the nature of the argument, as there were many persons who were entitled to have their bonds discharged, and the detention of the money might, on a superficial view, appear a reflection on the credit of the Japanese Government, which was unimpaired. The Court, however, was of opinion that the money should be paid to the bank, as there were many persons who were entitled to have their bonds discharged, and the detention of the money might, on a superficial view, appear a reflection on the credit of the Japanese Government, which was unimpaired.

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order should be in general terms. The liquidator wished to obtain the sanction of the court to expand certain sums in the keeping-up of the bank's estates in Ceylon; and the consent of the Court must be obtained. The Solicitor-General said in Ceylon the Crown had secured, and had seized ten tons of rupees to meet the debt due from the bank of some 60,000 l. So far as was proper the Crown would release its security. Mr. Macnaghten said that 110,000 l. would require to be spent on the estates during the present month and June. His Lordship remarked that it appeared from the affidavits that the products did not mature for two years. Mr. Macnaghten said that there were people in the market who would be realised earlier. The present season was expected to be a good one. His Lordship ordered an advance of 110,000 l. for the maintenance of the Ceylon estates, the Government consenting to release the ten tons seized by the court in the event of a price change to that amount. A similar order had been made for an advance of £40,000 for keeping up the Mauritius estates.

The list of proprietors of the Oriental Bank corrected down to the date of the auction has been issued. It does not indicate that any great number of shareholders have sold out since the beginning of the year, when the previous list was published. The shares are very widely distributed among a class of people who would not be ready to sell, to the bulk of whom, in fact, the dangerous position of the bank would be unknown. Altogether there are about two thousand names on the register, and on examination these names give much less indication of financial strength than was at first supposed. Many of the names are families of retired Indian military officers and civilians, doctors, clergymen, Indian Government officials, bank clerks, and agents compose the great majority of the list. Some of these unfortunate people hold as many as one hundred shares, but as a rule their holdings run from fifty to sixty shares. There are a few Scotch shareholders than was at first reported, even allowing for the large number of retired Scotch-Indians living in England and about. A surprising proportion is holding the shares in Ireland, and in the list there are nearly fifty natives of India, principally resident in Bombay. The shares are also to some extent held in Germany. A Melbourne gentleman is the largest single holder in the world, holding the shares in a whole, it is to be feared that the sale of the great bulk of the people it embraces will be productive of much more misery than cash. The small

